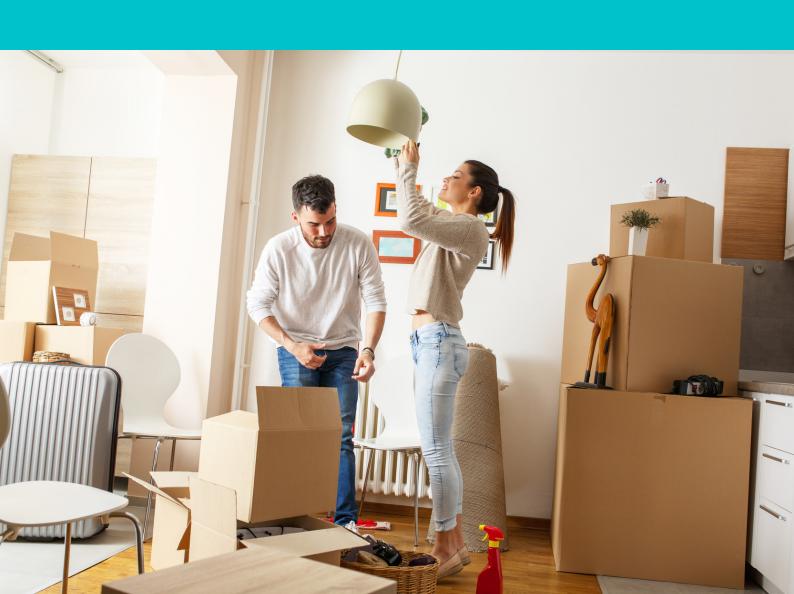


# MOVING HOME CHECKLIST



## 6 WEEKS BEFORE



- Research new local area for facilities e.g. shops, entertainment, doctors etc.
- Keep a file of all important documents and notes together
- Register children at new school and order uniform
- Make a full inventory of possessions and ensure any valuable items are insured
- Shop around for the best quote on removal firms
- Gather packing materials e.g. boxes, bubble wrap etc.
- Have a big clear out, sell or donate any unwanted items (especially if you're downsizing)









## 1 MONTH BEFORE



- If you are renting, give notice to your landlord \*
- Book the days off work for the move
- Set up a Royal Mail redirect service [3, 6 or 12 months]
- Start packing non-essential items into boxes
- Check your home insurance to make sure you're covered from the day you move
- Clear out lofts, sheds, outdoor spaces etc.









<sup>\*</sup>Notice must be given in accordance with your tenancy agreement (usually one month)

#### 2 WEEKS BEFORE



- Contact your utility companies and let them know your moving date/address
- Get in touch with your internet, TV and phone providers
- Shop around carpet fitters and have them measure up your new home
- Finalise removal firm details e.g. times, routes
- Notify friends/family of moving date if assistance is needed
- Run freezer down and gradually empty
- Contact local authority, order bins and find out when they are collected
- Label the rooms boxes will go in your new home
- Register with the local doctor, dentist, optician and vet









#### MOVING DAY



- Walk around your house for a final check, ensuring nothing is left
- Put together an overnight bag for your first night in the new home, and a mini toolkit (include a tool for opening boxes)
- Make a note of all meter readings
- Secure all windows and ensure utilities are switched off
- Walk around new house and note any defects
- For your first night, keep these essentials to hand:
  - Kettle, mugs, tea, milk, coffee
  - Cleaning products and hoover
  - Chargers
  - Toilet and kitchen roll
  - Duvets and bedding
  - Television or radio
- Take meter readings
- Take the rest of the night off.
  Find a local takeaway and put
  your feet up- you've earned it!





# FIRST WEEK IN YOUR NEW HOME

- Register for council tax
- Contact utility suppliers (gas, electric and water) to ensure new address is registered
- Set up broadband
- Advise the following of your new address:
  - Employer
  - TV/Phone
  - Bank/Credit Cards
  - Gym/Club Membership
  - Insurance Providers
  - Breakdown cover
  - DVLA
  - HMRC
  - GOV.UK (Register to vote)
  - TV Licensing
  - Pension
  - National Insurance
  - Online Retailers







